A DEMOCRATIC VICTORY.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA GIVES A

LARGE MAJORITY.

Johnson, for Governor, Places His Ma-

Jority at Forty Thousand Sound-

Money Democrats Meet,

BIRMINGHAM, ALA., Aug. 4.-Official

returns and estimates from fifty out of

sixty-six counties on yesterday's election

indicate a Democratic majority of forty

thousand. If the Democratic gains

which have occurred in counties already

heard from continue Johnson's majority

will go beyond 40,000. The Democrats

have sustained losses in but three counties,

while they have gained heavity in many.

#### MR. ELLYSON ACCEPTS.

STATE COMMITTEE.

Declined at First, but Was Finally Pres vailed Upon to Take It - Mr. Cummings



of Millford, Flaya T. Smith, of Heaths-ville, R. L. Allworth, of Eastville, C. B. Jones, of King and Queen Courthouse, Second district—C. F. Day, of Smith-field; J. T. Duke, of Parismouth, W.

leid; J. T. Dako, or Ferral.
J. Storrs, of Table.
Third district—E. L. C. Scott, of Ashland; Simon Solomon, of Henrico; P. V. Cogbill, of Chesterfield; Henry L. Carter and Marion L. Dawson, of Richment.
Fourth District—George J. Hundicy; of Amelia Courthouse; F. R. Lassitor, of Coesshare; Thomas N. Wilhams, of Coesshare; Thomas N. Wilhams, of Coesshare;

Schatter Sands.

Beventh District-Winfield Leggett, of

amiria city, represented by W. D. Chesterman, C. P. Janney, of Leesburg, Green-ville Gaines, of Warrenton; W. E. Bibb.

ingham Courthouse; A. W. Finch, of Buchanan, represented by Mr. Joseph Button; W. E. Allen, of Covington, represented by State Scinator Pfood; Joseph Button, of West Appendance; Wm. A. Anderson, of Levington

ELECTION OF A CHAIRMAN. Colonel Bell Higger than suggested that he committee go had the election of a chairman. This was agreed to, and Mr. I

E. L. C. Scott, of Ashland, nominated Ron, J. Taylor Ellyson for the position. The nomination was at once seconded by Mr. Sydner P. Epes, of Blackstone. At this inneture of the proceedings General Hundley, of Amelia Courthouse, arose in this seat. He said it was a painful decessity for him to read a letter which he had that he desired to read to the committee a letter which he had addressed to Mr. Ellyson on Angust ist, and which

Came here," he said, "that Mr. Edyson would be the unanimous choice of the committee for its chairman, and I therefore move that he be unanimously nominated for that position."

The motion was at once carried and Colonel Bigger appointed General Hundley. Mr. E. L. C. Scott, and Dr. Quesenberry hembers of a committee to notify Mr. Ellyson of the action of the State Committee.

MR. ELLYSON'S SPEECH. Mr. Ellyson on August let, and which

Richmond, Va., Aug. 4, 1806.

Hon. J. Taylor Ellyson; My Dear Sir.—Having had occasion here-ofere to speak with you on the subject of the chairmanship of the Democratic than at any previous time. Second on thistory have we had so much need for a wise, discreet, and conciliatory policy in the conduct of party affairs, and I believe you eminently qualified to take the bein at this juncture. The services you have rendered us in the past, eminent and satisfactory as they have been, many how be excelled by the exercise of your plays be excelled by the exercise of your well-known tast and sound judgment.
With best wishes for you personally,
I am, Yery truly your friend,
GEORGE J, HUNDLEY,

MR. ELLYSON'S REPLY.

General Hundley then read the reply

lous time to labor to promote the

interests of the party. I am conod that I could not, in view of the
sing demands of my private business
the other Yeazons already given, do
tee either to myself or to the party
screpting again the position as chairof the State Committee. I am not
mable to the great influence of the

has accepting again the position as char-man of the State Committee. I am not intermible to the great influence of the charmstuchip and to the desirableness of my retaining it, and under ordinary con-litions I should not hesitate to say that I would like to do so, but in an hour tike this party supremacy should be put above private interest, and personal ambi-tion supordinated to the public good. I shall give to Bryan and Sewall my most hearty and cordial and unqualified support, for having submitted to the arbitrament of the convention, I shall, as an honerable man, abide by its decision, for to do otherwise would be to lend my to that party which for more than a quarter of a century has had for its hief aun the proscription and humiliation.

and to that party which for more chain a quarter of a century has had for its chief aim the proscription and humiliation or the white people of the South-by the attempted elevation and supremacy of the marty race. Every page of every chapter in the history of the Republican party will be found stabled with the record of its bitter and malignant hatred of the Southern people. In the darkest hours of the reconstruction era, Virtsina appealed, and not in vain, to the Democrats for sympathy and aid, and their prompt and cheerful response was the only silver liming to the cloud that then so darkly filing o'er us.

The Republican party is responsible for our present financial and industrial distress, and if returned to power would be as hitter and as proscriptive and as unscrupilous as they were fwenty years ugo, when, to accomplish their evil purposes, they did not hesitate to steal even the Presidency itself.

I beg leave, therefore to assure the com-

the Presidency itself.

I beg leave, therefore, to assure the committee that I am ready to co-operate theerfully and heartily with them in the work of the compaign, and to rejoice with them on the night of the 2d of Novomber, when as the tidings shall come from all sections, there will be heard the glad account that victory is ours.

With sincerest personal esteem, I am, Fours very truey.

J. TAYLOR ELLYSON.

UNANIMOUSLY ELECTED. In speaking of Mr. Ellyson's letter, Gen

cral Hundley said that since then he had seen Mr. Ellyson and gone with him over the whole ground covered in the let-ter. During that convrsation Mr. Elly-son had told him that if he thought it to

be a necessity for the benefit of the Democratic party, he would remain in the chair and he would be willing to

be desired.

hold my resignation would logically indicate che of two things, first, if I performed the duty which precedent renders incumbent upon my I should be
considered a very rapidly converted politician, which I abbor; or worse, a hypocrite, and secondly, should I fall to perform the duty of the electorship, without
a tender of my resignation, the term
"sulking" is the mildest adjective which
in justice I could expect.

Comprehending as I do, that the duty
of an elector is faithfully, consciently, asly and energetically stumping his district, to confine the faithful in their adherence to the platform, and to convert
the wavering and proscipte the wanderers to these principles, and, at the same
time, appreciating the fact that I was
elevated to my position by the votes of
those who did not, and possibly do not,
believe in the principle of free coinage
as subsequently set forth and crystalied by the insportly of the Demourable
party, in National Convention assembled
in this situation my honor demonds that
my resignation be placed at your disposal.

Though the action of the Chicago Convention and my subsequent study of the
oversiton have not changed my optime on

Though the action of the transfer vention and my subscittent study of the question have not changed my opinion on the currency issue, and I continue to believe that the principle popularly known as "returd money" is the proper huacidal view, I shall support the Chicago nominees for three passens.

for three reasons:

1st, Because I believe their nominations were the voice of the majority of the Democratic party, through their regularly-clotted delegates, not the voice of Fepulists or Anarchists, as some assert for while leaders differed on the issues, then were able Democrats in the majority whose pairiotism and party loyalty are

above question.

2d, Because I am morally bound to support these nominees as a member of the state Convention, which indirectly sided in their selection; and,

3d, Because I firmly believe that the

approaching compaign involves issues, not on the surface perhaps, upon the deter-mination of which depends the preserva-tion of our social fabric in Virginia, and ssues more important to our moral being the platform.

The situation is such that while as an

MEETING OF GOLD MEN.

GROWING ALL EXPECTATIONS. nate Candidates.

MR. ELLYSON'S SPEECH

This committee at once retired and more than an hour elapsed before the committee returned with Mr. Ellyson. The latter was introduced by Mr. Scott, and received with loud applause. Stepping to

received with loud apptause. Stepping to the front, Mr. Eityson said:
"I received the committee with the message sent me by the State Committee and was very deeply touched by its act tion, cfore I render my decision in re-gard to the acceptance of the chairman-ship, however, I prefer to make a state-tient to the committee in executive ses-sion."

THE REPORTERS EXCLUDED. Colonel Birger then requested all per-sons, who were not members of the State Committee to retire from the room. Upon second thought he asked whether it was the pleasure of the committee to allow the representatives of the Despocrate press to remain during the executive resion, provided, of course, that they used

their reports.

"If a paper does not support the nominees of the Democratic party, can it be called a Democratic paper?" shouted ex-Senator W. E. Bibb, of Louisa county.

"Of course not," retorted General Hundley, from Amelia.

"It seems to not," said Congressman, Claude A. Swanson, "that it would be best for the committee to first go into executive session and then decide who should be admitted to the councils of the

first time the representatives of the va-rious papers were excluded from the session of the committee.

MR. ELLAYSON DECLINES.
When the room was cleared Mr. Ellyson at once took the floor, and spoke for Virgina, and asked the committee to lect some one class for the position

THE NATIONAL ASSUMBLY IS OUT.

Chairman Bynum Says a Convention Will be Called in September to Nomi-

INDIANAPOLIS, August 4.-The Sound-Money Democratic Executive Committee finds there is going to be a much larger at-Friday than was appleipated. Rooms are being engaged at the hotels for parties ranging from five to fifty, from various States of the Union, and it looks as though the committee meeting would develop into a general conference of zound-

money Democrats. "It i can judge by the dispatches I am receiving," said Mr. By num, of the Executive Committee, to-day, instead of the single representative of the thirty-odd Sintes that will be represented, we shall have here a gathering of two or three hundred representative bemocrats, whose spintons will command attention. I think there is no doubt that a convention will be called in September.
POLITICIANS SLUMP.

"We find in other States, as well as t Indiana, that the politicians have large Indiana, that the politicians have largely slumped, but among the business-ment and the people there is a determination to hold the party true to its traditions and defeat the un-lasmocratic theket naminated at Chicago upon a platform that is anything but bemocratic."

The Executive Committee completed arrangements to-night for a big public monthing at Tambona Hall Samuelos.

neeting at Temfinses Hall Saturday night. Among the specifics will be Gen-eral E. S. Brazz, of Wisconsin; Joseph H. Outhwalte, of Ohio; Colonel Broadhead, of St. Louis, and Louis Ebrich, of Colo-

MINNESOTA STATE CONVENTION.

The Silverites Put the Gold Delegates Out-Fase With Populists.

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., Aug. 4.-The Democratic State Convention was called Democratic State Convention was called to order by Chairman McDermott. ExSpraker E. T. Champin, of Bine Earth county, was chosen temporary chairman by acclaimation. He accepted in a brief speech, in which he took strong grounds in favor of free-silver comase.

The report of the Committee on Credentials was in part as follows:

Your compatible would move to amend the report by striking investom the names of Dan Lawler, Frank W. McCutcheon, and Judge McCafferir.

J. T. Bowditch, of Walash, said he had advised this step, as the men in question.

advised this step, as the men in question werf known to be good delegates. The convention heard this with shouts of ap-plause and the report was adopted. Mr. Lawler tried to bimself heard, but his efforts were its. The expetted men then walked of the hall, followed by one whole

### TO PREFERENT A SPLIT.

Gold Men Removed From the Electoral

Ticket to Prevent a Bolt
JACKSONVILLE, FLA., August 4.-The threatened but of the silver Democrats of Florida has probably been averted by the action of the State Executive Committee in removing J. F. Welborns and J. P. Fisher, two gold electors, and replacing them by F. B. Carter and R. A. Baford, who are pronounced silver men, thus dividing the electors evenly between gold and elliver.

As originally chosen, two electors were a gold and two for silver. The State sem by gold men. This maddened the liver Democrats, and they ordered a call

to-day two of the gold electors were rewill probably satisfy silver Democrats

#### TOWA DEMOCRATS PROTEST.

They Endorse the Move for a Sound-Money Ticket.

DES MOINES, IA., August f.-About 200 Democrats of lows met here to-day, and formally registered their protest against the plattern and candidates of the Chicago Convention. Judge John Claggett, of Mason City, was named as chairman. He made a ringing speech in which he declared the position of the

resolution was adopted, endorsing the ad-ministration of Clevelard. Then a resolution was adopted unani-Then a resolution was adopted unant-mousty declaring it to be the sense of the meeting that a sound-money ticket should be nominated, and that Iowa send a representative to the Indianapolis Conference, with full power to take what-ever steps were necessary to carry out the decision of the conference. A State Central Committee was nam-ed one member from each congressional

ed, one member from each congressional district and Col. L. M. Martin was eleted delegate from Iowa to the Isdianapolis

## MISSOURI DEMOCRAT CONFESTION.

The Contest Will be for Governor-The Sixteen-to-One Men in Control, JEFFERSON, MO., Aug. 4 .- The ad-

vance guard of the Democratic State Convention, which meats here to-morrow, Convention, which is on the ground, and headquarters of the different candidates have been opened. There is a noticeable absence of the old campaigners and leaders of the State Democratic hosts for the past two de-

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The programme of the 15 to 1 men will go through without a hitch.

The principal contest is for the guber-

natorial nomination, and the four prominent candidates of the State are Treasurer Lon V. Stevens, Jodge James Gilson, of Kansas City; David A. Ball, of Louisiana, and James S. Waddill, of St. Louisiana, and James S. Waddill, of St. Louisiana, are greatly in favor of Stephens' nomination. Nearly a dozen men are candidates for Lieutenant-Governor, but the indicalons are that Lieutenant-Governor Omeara will succeed.

Mr. W. S. Morton Makes selicmarkable Shot.

enant-Governor Omeara will succeed imself. . The platform will endorse the declarations of the Chicago Convention.

#### LAMB'S NEW YORK TRIP. A Conference Held in Regard to the Virginia Situation.

NEW YORK, Aug. 4.-There was a conference held this afternoon at Republican headquarters in regard to the situa-

tion in Virginia. The National Committee a few days go appointed a committee of five members to act as an advisory committee in the State to assist in conducting the campaign. Colonel William Lamb, the chairman of the State Committee, resented the appointment of the advisory comthinking it was a means of su-

He accordingly came to New York yes-terday to inquire into the matter, the conference about Virginia being about 5.30 in the afternoon and lasted until nearly 6 o'cleck.

When the conference was over Mr. Hanna announced that everything had ended satisfactorily and that the Virginia delegation had gone home to or-

It was later learned that it had been ecided that Colonel Lamb should ap-oint three other members on the advis-ry committee as soon as he arrives in trginia. These names will then be

wired to National headquarters in this city, to be passed upon. LAMB TO CONDUCT AFFAIRS.

The campaign in Virginia will accordingly be carried on by Colonel Lamb and all State Committee, assisted by the advisory committee of eight.

The present members of the advisory committee are Colonel Lamb, Hon, E. Waddill, Hon, George E. Howden, Colonel Brady, and Congressman James Walker, Oho of these art the conference and hat Colonel Latino was personal and with what had been decided upon it the conference. It was explained to aim that no slight was intended by the appointment of the advisory committee.

#### Indiana Democrats Will Not Fuse.

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INDIANAPOLIS, IND. Aug. 4.—There will be no fusion between the Populists and Democrats in Indiana upon the electoral ticket. The Democrats declare they have nothing in particular to gain by fusion, insanuch as they helieve four-fifths of the Populista will vote their ticket anyhow. At the Populist head-quarters this feeling among the Democrats is well understood, and they are congratulating themselves that in their State Convention they 'kept to the midto of the road," kept to the mid-

### Bland Nominated.

JEFFERSON CITY, MO., Aug. 4.—The Jemocratic Convention of the Eighth congressiosal district this afternoon nom-mated Hon. R. P. Bland by acclamation. bown by the delegates

#### THE DIAMOND MATCH FAILURE Big Stockholders Put Up Margins to the

Renefit of the Small Holders. CHICAGO, Aug. 4.-The speculative deal in Diamond Match and New York bis-cuit stocks has come to an end. Moore Bros, have failed. The greatest speculation ever known in Chicago has culmi-nated in the failure of the people who

price at which Diamond Match. ciling makes the sum involved git exteremely large. The cap-of the Diamond Match Com-1,000,000 and of the New York stleman close to the speculators

A gentleman close to the speculators explains the failure in this way!
James H. Moore and William H. Moore owned all told, \$50,000 worth of Diamond Match stock. A portion of this was owned in fee hefore the speculative era in stock began. Much, however, was bought at prices ranging from 150 to 240,
The Moorea' holdings were the majority of the total issued. It so happen, ed, however, that the balance of the stock was held by a great many stockholders. Soon after the stock began its wonderful acrial flight, these minority stockholders began unleading, and in each case the

In Hartford, were holders of stock as trustess.

As the stock fluctuated in value on time limit for purchase account expired, more markins had to be deposited. In this way not less than 60 per cent on the par value of the stock was paid. All this the Moores paid without flinching, but in the long run the stock became, notwithstanding its extraordinary intrinsic value, a frightfully heavy load to carry. At last two brokers were substantially the only props to the big enterprise, and the result was inevitable, and the crash followed.

And thus it happens that to-day, while the Moores, the financial genii of this colored enterprise, are losers to the time of final had or \$8.00.00 numerous minority stockholders are winers, for they have been the beneficiales of margins paid, and their stock is all theirs al-

nority stockholders are winners, for they have been the beneficiales of margins hald, and their stock is still theirs, although held in trust.

'The stock will be taken care of, and everything will be running in a few days as if nothing had happened. The stock is as good as gold and nobody is going to be very badly hurt."

CHICAGO, ILL., Aug. 4.—The Governing Committee of the Stock Exchange held a second meeting this afternoon, but accomplished nothing. It was decided that it would not do to reopen the Exchange until the Moore tangle was straightened out. Offers were made around town during the afternoon for batches of Dismond Match stock all the way from 165 to 175, but nobody seemed to care to sell.

P. D. Armour, who is supposed to be one of the heviest holders of Diamond Match stock, took a hopeful view of the straation when seen to-day. He did not think that the failure of Moore Brothers would affect any other securities than Diamond Match and New York Bisseuit, and over these he does not expect any panie.

NEW YORK, Aug. 4.—A New York

NEW YORK, Aug. 4.—A New York banker says that the Moore Brothers failure at Chicago will not be fat in this city. It will undoubtedly tie up a number of loans in New England. Bankers throughout Ceticitient and Massachesetts have been the largest leaders on Diamond Match. Practically no loans were secured in New York, as Diamond Match is a trust stock and the paper is not personally endorsed. AMERICAN SECURITIES FEEL, IT.
LONDON, Aug. 4.-Upon the failure of The damage is very small.

HILLANDALE, VA., August 4.-Speclal.-The young people of the neighborhood are bent on having a good time despite the hot weather. A social gathering was recently had at the residence of Mr. Samuel F. Spencer, complimentary to his charming niece, Miss Resses Spencer, of Martin, Texas. Among the many interesting and amusing games engaged in on the occasion was pinning the tail to the donkey. Competition was sharp and exciting for the prizes, the first being secured by Miss Mahel McNerry, and the books by Mr. W. S. Mortion. Delicious refreshments were served by the hostess that were greatly enjoyed and added to the sweet pleasures of the evening. despite the hot weather. A social gather-

the evening.

More recently the same merrymakers met in a storm-party at Compostella. Among those present were Miss Virginia. McGebee, Miss Lelia Spencer, Miss Annabella Pettus, Miss Besste Spencer, of Texas: Miss McNerry, Lynchburg: Miss Willie Spencer, Abdene: Miss Edna Price, Miss Sallie Spencer, Miss Carrie S. Goode. conference about Virginia being about 2.39 in the afternoon and lasted until nearly 6 o'clock.

There were present John Wise, Colonel Lamb, Colonel Brady, of Petersburg, Va., and the following members of the Executive Committee Chairman Hanna, General Osborna, General Clayton, and Mr. N. C. Scott, of West Virginia.

ENDED SATISFACTORILY.

When the conference was over Mr. Hanna announced that everything had the conference was over Mr. Hanna announced that everything had better the conference was over Mr. Hanna announced that everything had better the consistency of the consiste Pettus. The occasion was enjoyed by all and will be long remembered.

A large crane was recently captured by Mr. W. 8 Morton at this place. It was brought to the ground by a rifle ball. It measured fifty-six inches from tip of tail to bill, thirty-six inches across the wings, twenty-four inches real contents. ings, twenty-four inches neck and head,

wings, twenty-four inches nock and head, twity-two inches in log.

Mr. Charles B. Speiter, of Texas, accompanied by his bright, young daughter. Miss Bessle, has been spending a few weeks, visiting his brother. Samuel F. Spencer, at Abilene, Mr. Spencer was formerly of Virginia, but has spent the

formerly of Virginia, but has speet the past twenty-five years in Texas, where he has been quite prosperous. He contemplates returning to Virginia to live.

Mrs. Margaret E. Morton is under medical treatment of Dr. J. D. Engleston, at Worsham. Her health continues bad, and at times she is a great sufferer.

The Roanoke Presbyters meets at Hethlehem church on the Mith. Preparations are now being made to entertain the large attendance that is expected.

The write population of this county are almost solidly in favor of free columns of silver. The negroes are uncer-

age of silver. The negroes are uncertain in dillies.

The farmers experience difficulty in selling their mileh cows in your city under the quarantine laws. This is a less that falls heavily at this time. There has never been Texas-fever and murtain in cattle here.

#### ROBERT GARRETT'S WILLS.

He Left Two, One Executed in Baltimore

BALTIMORE, MD., Aug. 4 .- The wills of the lite Robert Carrett were made ablic to-night and both lastraments will be probated at Tomson to-morrow. One

probated at Tomson to-merrow. One the docrments was executed in Balticre in 1825, and makes his wife submittally his sole devisee and logatee, to other will was drawn in London in St. just after the death of his brother, H. Gartett, this document bequeaths \$190,000 to each three sons of his brother, T. H. Gartt, \$280,000 to his father-in-law, Winfrick, \$20,000 to Chis. Nize, the maser of the banking bouse of Robt, rrett & Sons, and \$20,001 to A. B. and, for many years the private secrety of Mr. Garrett, always and plants as to his wife. Mary Garrett, absolute-Mrs. Garrett and her father are names executors to serve without bond, clause in the first-named document vs: "My wife is thoroughly acquainted the all my views and plants as to the first-named manual that is a lant with the satte, those views a plants will be best carried out in a manner as her own good judgment to prevened that the last.

will approve.

It is presumed that the reason for pro-isating both wills is the fact that the last one was executed just at the commence-ment of Mr. Garrett's long continued ill-noss, and in view of this fact it was deemed advisable to prove both the in-struments. As the widow is the residu-ary decisee and legatee under both wills, from the fact of proving both it is evi-dent she intends to adopt the last one, although is deroragation of her rights.

#### RICHMOND GIVES TO CUBA.

A Large Contribution, of Which Five

Thousand Comes From This City. PHILADELPHIA, PA., Aug. 4,—An evening paper says: The Cuban Junta in the United States this week raised a fund amounting to \$35,000. Part of the money has been changed into gold, and is amounting to \$555,000. Part of the money has been changed into gold, and is now on shipboard bound for Cuba, where it will be placed in the hands of the officers commanding the Insurgent army.

The balance has been retained by the heads of the Junta in Philadelphia and New York, who will use it in a way that will best serve the Cuban cause.

The contributions were as follows:
Jacksonville and other sections of Florida, \$100,000; New York and Brooklya, \$5,000; Philadelphia, £5,000; Haltmore, \$10,000; Washington, \$10,000; Hielmond, Va. \$5,000; Savannah, Ga. \$5,000; New Orloans, \$10,000; through Chicago and the West, \$100,000; and from a number of Scuthern points \$90,000.

#### The Dead Man to Blame.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Aug. 4.-The sion of the coroner's inquest in the Mendsich of the coroner's inquest in the Mendow collision, seems to fix the direct responsibility for the accident upon the dead engineer of the Resding railroad express, Edward Farr. From the testimony Parr's action in remining at a seem of the miles an hour past a danger signal seems inexplicable, and as the man is dead, the reason for it will probably never be known.

### Treasury Statement.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. & The Treasury gold reserve at the close of business to-day stood at \$110,000,456. The withdrawals for the day amount-ed to \$26,700.

Millions of Yellow Money.

## CHICAGO, Aug. 4.—Bankers of Chicago maished their gold deposits yesterday, having turned over to the Government 82,425,000 of the yellow money.

FIRE IN MANCHESTER, A Small Frame Building Destroyed Early This Morning. Fire about 2 o'clock this morning

destroyed a small frame building in Manchester, on Perry street between Thir-teenth and Fourteenth streets. The building burned was a kitchen in the rear of a frame dwelling and was the rear of a frame dwelling and was occupied by a negro woman named Mary Bland. The Manchester fire department was promptly on the scene and succeeded in saving the dwelling in front of the kitoffen, the result of effective work.

The damage is very small.

So far as heard, Democrats had not lost a county, but had gained eight, and probably thisteen, which went for the Populists two years ago. It is estimated that the Democrats have gained no less than twelve members of the Legislature and over a two-thirds majority in both houses.

and over a two-tained majority in houses.

The Populists have sustained the hezviest losses in the white counties, while those losses which occurred to Démocrats were in the black counties.

Captain Johnston Said this morning that his majority will not be under 40,000.

MOBILE'S MAJORITY.

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MOBILE, ALA., August 4.-All 'the wards in the city, except the Eighth, and twenty precincts give Johnson a majority of 1,754. The returns from the Eighth ward will probably increase this majority by 600 or 700. It seems afe new to estimate that Johnson's majority in this county will be at least 3,000.

#### WIRE-GRASS REGION ALL RIGHT. Enthusiastic Meeting of the Sound-Money Democrats. MONTGOMERY, ALA., Aug. 4.-Later

news is favorable to the Democratic ticket. The 'wire-grass' region of southeast Alabama, a white section, is reported to have gone pretty largely Democratic. The count is slow, because of the official ballot, and most of the polling places are remote from the telegraph offices. There is no reason to believe, however, that the Democracy has not won by fully 25,000 majority.

SOUND MONEY MEN.
A conference of sound-money Democrats
from various parts of the State was held
here to-day to select delegates to the
indianapolis Convention, on the 7th, and
to take steps for organization in the State
of the auti-Bryan Democrats.

of the anti-Bryan Democrats.

The conference was hastily called only a few days ago. Nevertheless, several scores of delegates were present, auong them leading Democrats from a number of counties in the State, and a great deal of enthusiasm and earnestness was dispusyed. S. V. Dent, of Barbours, was made chairman of the conference, and after-wards chairman of a provisional State Committee. Captain J. M. Falkner, of

Montgomery, was named as provisional member of the National Committee to attend the Indianapolis conference on the 7th instant. A committee of five was named to take steps to perfect organization throughout the State by naming a THE ADMINISTRATION ENDORSED. Resolutions of endersement of President Cleveland's alministration, and of

Secretary Carlisle especially, were passed by a rising vote.

A recommendation was made to the

State committee to bring about as soon as possible conventions for the nomination of sound-money Democratic congressional candidates in every district. The committee was also instructed to issue an address to the Democrats of the State setting forth the purposes of this

movement. movement.

The Democratic State Convencion which met in Montgomery early in April nominated for Governor Captain Joseph F. Johnston, of Birmingham, who had unsuccessfully contested twice before for the nomination, the first time being 1890, when Koth was the Democratic-Alliance. when Kolb was the Demogratic-Alliance candidate for the pomination, and missed it only by a few votes, the other candi-dates combining their girength on Gov-ernor Jones to defeat Kolb.

ernor Jones to defeat Kolb.
Captain Johnston was the candidate of
the free-silver faction of the Democracy
for the nomination this year, being opposed by Congressman R. H. Clark, of
Mobile, who represented the sound-money
Democrats. The fight inside the party
was a bitter one. Captain Johnston won
by a good, big majority, and all Lemocrats fell into line to support him, without fur-ther regard for factional issues.

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Mr. Johnston is an ex-banker and a man of wealth. He was for years chairman of the State Democratic Committee, and resided in Selma, in the heart of the "black belt" section. He is a keen politician and a man of marked ability. He came to Alabama at the close of the war from North Carolina. He has for years been a material factor in Democratic party affairs in this State.

The Legislature is believed to be Democratic by a safe majority, and this is re-

cratic by a safe majority, and this is re-garded by the politicians as of great im-portance, as the new Leassiature will elect a United States senator to succeed James L. Pugh, whose term expires next March. MORE COMPLETE RETURNS . 2

Montgomery, Ala., Aug. 4.—Specials to the Advertiser from many county sites give complete teturns in a large number of cases. Most of them show marked gains over the vote two years ago, and make the triumph of the Democratic State ticket easy and sure. For instance. In the following counties—Bibb. Latter, Cherokse, Chilton, Cleborne, Elmore, Fayotte, Marshall, and Tallapousathe Founds to make the properties in 1884 aggregated 5,732. Now they aggregate only 3,450—a falling off of over 40 per cent., and a net Democratic gain in the ten counties of 2431 votes. In other counties, the Populist majorities are wiped out, and Democratic gains foot spitch yours. In Dehalb, Simestone, Randolph, and Winstrn Democratic gains foot spitch yours. In a few counties the Populists have made gains, but they are small, and do not make more than a few hundred. It is fair to expect this average net gain to prevail throughout the other white counties, and if so the humoreatic facts will come to the black best with a fair majority, and camove every possibility of the claim of fraud.

In a number of toese countes, the Pepulists control the election machinery and there can be no dispute about the returns by them. There is no doubt of the Democracy's triumph by a majority of at least 25,000, and it may go higher.

There have also been more gains on the legislative ticket than losses, and there is svery reason to believe that the full Democratic majo ty in the last Assembly will be maintained. Make the Triumph of the Democratio

WEATHER PORECAST. WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 4.-Fore-cast for to-day; Virginia-Fair; continued warm; south-

erly winds Wednesday.
North Carolina-Fair; easterly to southerly winds.

RANGE OF THERMOMETER. The following is the range of the thermometer at The Times office yesterday: 9 A. M., 79, 12 M., 86; 3 P. M., 92; 6 P. M., 90; 9 P. M., 73; 12 M., 73. Average

# RI-ELECTED CHAIRMAN OF THE

Cannot Advocate the Platform.



THOSE PRESENT. The roll was then called by Mr. Sam. V. Bigger, which showed that the fol-owing members were present either in

etersburg; Thomas N. Wilhams, of sarksville; A. King, of Waverley; Sydney ; Epes, of Blackstone. Fifth District-H. A. James, of Danwith Pastrice L. A. Sames, of Pastrice vitte, represented by Colonel Bigger as proxy; W. G. Mullins, of Martinsville, sepresented by Colonel Bigger, as proxy. Sixth Instrict. S. E. Janes, of Roanoke; W. H. Calineau, of Christianaburg; O. L. Stearns, of Roanoke, represented by State

renaman, of New Market, represented by donel Blazer. Eighth District-L. Marbury, of Alex-

the chair and he would be within the sacrifice his private interests for the benefit of his party. Under existing circumstances, however, he felt confident that the Democrats would carry the that the Democrats would carry the State by a very large majority.
"Bo I understand that Mr. Ellyson has determined to decline the chairmanship, it elected?" queried Colonel Bigger.
"I do not have that I can give any additional information." replied General Hundley, "but I am willing to read again any part of Mr. Ellyson's letter that may be desired." of Louisa Courthouse. Ninth District—T. A. Lynch, of Tazewell Courthouse, represented by D. C. Zollienth District E. W. Hubard, of Buck-

"I am satisfied," said Colonel Bigger,
"and I withdraw my question."
The gentleman from Caroline has the
floor, continued Colonel Bigger, and Dr.
Quesenberry arose in his seat.
"I had taken it for granted, when I

a satisfied," said Colonel Bigger,